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¶1. On June 3, MFA Division for International Organizations and Human Security Minister Counselor Robert Golobinek told Emboff that Slovenia had narrowed its choices of candidates for the position of International Organization for Migration (IOM) Director to either the U.S. candidate, Ambassador Bill Swing, or the Italian candidate, Luca Riccardi. Although Slovenia had not yet made the final decision on the preferred candidate, Golobinek gave assurances that either Swing or Riccardi would be Slovenia's first choice, with the other candidate serving as Slovenia's second choice in any subsequent rounds of voting. On June 16, MFA Division for International Organizations and Human Security Minister Plenipotentiary Teja Valencic informed Emboff that the GOS had still not made a final decision.

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